

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of

Philippe CROS et al.

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**NOTICE OF APPEAL TO THE BOARD OF PATENT APPEALS
AND INTERFERENCES AND PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Applicants hereby appeal to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences from the Decision of the Primary Examiner dated April 8, 1999.

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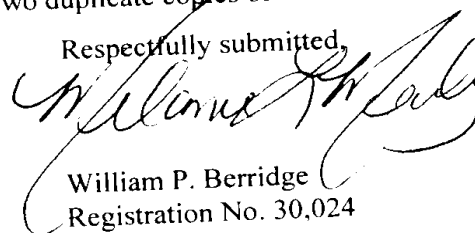
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 Not required (fee paid in prior appeal in this application with no Board Decision on the merits).

The shortened statutory period having expired July 8, 1999, it is hereby requested that the period for response be extended for three months. Included in our enclosed check is \$870.00 in payment of the fee for a three-month extension of time for filing this Notice of Appeal.

The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees which may be required or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 15-0461. Two duplicate copies of this document are enclosed.

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